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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

N THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Yoshiyuki SONO et al.

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Title : WIRE RETAINER

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- [] The additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- [] Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), please extend the shortened period for response by month(s). The extension fee is: \$.
- [] A Check for \$ is enclosed to cover fees.
- [X] Please credit any overpayment, or charge any additional filing fee required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 by this communication, to Deposit Account No. 06-1382. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

(Please see following pages.)